



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

W J Keenan High

Richland 1

Grades: 9-12

Enrollment: 868

Principal: Dr. Steve Wilson

Superintendent: Dr. Percy Mack

Board Chair: Wendy Brawley

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Average	Excellent	TBD	Met	N/A
2007	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2006	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	N/A

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
4	3	13	3	2

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are High Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2007	2008	2007	2008
Passed 2 subtests (%)	56.3%	66.1%	67.4%	70.3%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	22.5%	13.8%	18.7%	16.0%
Passed no subtests (%)	21.2%	20.2%	13.9%	13.7%

## HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2008

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
	92.4%	91.8%

## ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

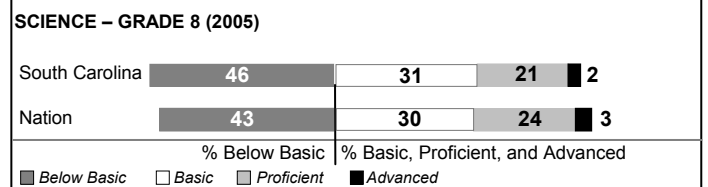
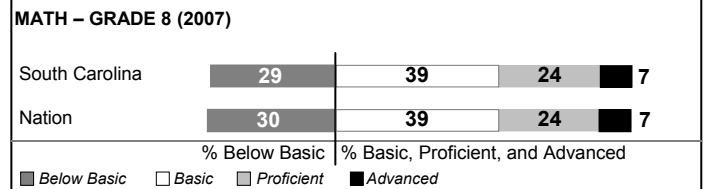
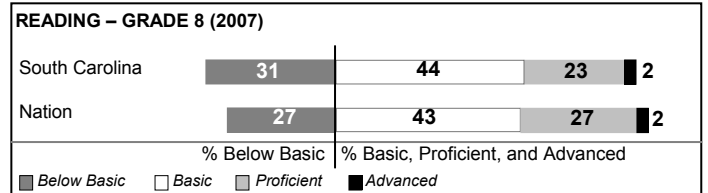
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	174	169
Number of Diplomas	110	121
Rate (%)	63.2%	74.1%

## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2008

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	50.9%	64.5%
English 1	54.6%	50.8%
Physical Science	33.5%	37.4%
All Tests	45.9%	49.2%

## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



## SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

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## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>Students (n=868)</b>				
Retention rate	16.2%	Up from 15.3%	6.7%	6.1%
Attendance rate	94.5%	Down from 95.6%	94.1%	95.0%
Eligible for gifted and talented	8.7%	Up from 8.0%	7.2%	8.3%
With disabilities other than speech	12.7%	Down from 17.8%	14.3%	13.0%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.5%	1.2%	1.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	27.3%	Up from 17.9%	5.2%	11.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	21.2%	N/A	26.9%	54.3%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	24.4%	No Change	25.8%	30.5%
Annual dropout rate	5.2%	Up from 3.2%	4.8%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	3.6%	Up from 1.3%	5.3%	3.1%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	500	Up from 405	500	559
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	57.5%	Up from 56.5%	74.3%	79.6%
<b>Teachers (n=61)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	73.8%	Up from 73.7%	51.4%	57.4%
Continuing contract teachers	73.8%	Down from 80.7%	62.3%	69.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	5.3%	Down from 7.1%	12.9%	8.7%
Teachers returning from previous year	86.6%	Up from 86.0%	80.4%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	96.0%	Down from 96.2%	95.6%	95.4%
Average teacher salary	\$50,718	Up 5.5%	\$45,626	\$46,061
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.7%	Up from 0.0%	7.6%	4.3%
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	10.0	Up from 9.0	2.5	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.9 to 1	Down from 20.5 to 1	24.0 to 1	25.4 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.2%	Down from 90.1%	88.9%	89.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$8,237	Down 0.8%	\$7,744	\$7,279
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	61.7%	Up from 60.9%	52.7%	55.3%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	66.9%	Up from 65.8%	59.6%	60.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Modern Language Program Assessment	N/A	N/A	Below Average	Good
Classical Language Program Assessment	N/A	N/A	N/A	Average
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%		83.5%	90.5%

\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	60	134	54
Percent satisfied with learning environment	58.6%	57.3%	81.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	72.9%	65.4%	70.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	33.3%	78.1%	79.2%

\*Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

W. J. Keenan High School experienced an exciting, productive, and challenging 2007-08, to be remembered as the "Year of Transition, Effort, and Promise!" In August, as the new school year began, excitement and joy rang through our hallways as students first saw their newly constructed, "state of the art" high school. Located at the intersection of Wilson Boulevard and Pisgah Church Road, Keenan's front doors open into a two-storied vaulted commons area that is flanked on each of four sides by long, projecting hallways on the first level with two additional halls on the upper level. Set against a green forested landscape, the school offers a majestic view to each passer-by, but to those who enter its portals, feelings of pride, achievement, and awe are inspired. We at Keenan take this opportunity to thank our parents and community who have given from their pockets and hearts to provide their children with a school that is worthy of their ambitions, hopes, and dreams. Within these walls lie opportunity, challenge, and a future that can be boundless for every student who is committed to achievement—a year of Transition!

As the school year progressed, our students worked to achieve their best in academics, athletics, and performing arts! A Keenan football player, elected as captain of the North team, led the team to victory in the North-South Football Game. The Lady Raider Basketball Team brought the State Championship title home to Keenan while our Lady Raider Volleyball and Men's Basketball teams made it to the Upper State finals. The Keenan Singers went to New York where they performed at the site of 9/11 and appeared on national TV. A Keenan student was named a National Merit Scholarship semifinalist, twenty-eight juniors qualified for dual-credit courses with Midlands Tech, and our Robo Raiders sponsored the First Robotics event at Keenan! They took first place honors at the USC Science and Engineering Fair and later won the "Judges' Award" at Clemson, earning the right to vie in national and international competition. Students won district or state awards in technology, JROTC, orchestra, art, chorus, and band, including 31 of the 59 seats in the RCSDI Orchestra; Keenan students were selected to appear on "Teen Talk" (ROTV) and "Awareness" (WIS TV). "Live with Lucas" (WIS TV) broadcasted live from Keenan. Articles about Keenan students, honors, and awards were posted in the district newsletter and The State, including news of our newly signed partnerships with USC and Midlands Tech. Finally, Keenan alumni were inspired to come "home" to celebrate their love and dedication to this school. With so many achievements by our students, and the industrious efforts of our teachers and the Keenan community, we see the renewed "promise" of a bright future to come for Keenan High School.

Finally, Keenan met the accountability challenge of the State Department of Education External Review Team, receiving a satisfactory score on our efforts to show continuing improvement in student achievement, attendance, HSAP passing rate, and graduation rate. Next year brings new goals and new challenges for us. With your help and support, we are ready to meet the challenge, we are ready to grasp the promise, and we are dedicated to continue to increase the gains won during this year of "Transition, Effort, and Promise!"

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